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INTEGRATED TRANSPORT POLICY
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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to prepare an Integrated Transport Policy;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government has conducted any study on transport sector in the past; and

(d) if so, the outcome thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (DR. TUSHAR A. CHAUDHARY)

(a) and (b) The Government has set up National Transport Development Policy Committee (NTDPC) under the Chairmanship of Dr. Rakesh Mohan on 11th February, 2010 with the main objective of recommending a long term national transport policy that would facilitate overall efficiency in the economy while minimizing energy consumption and environmental pollution, to provide an integrated and sustainable transport system to encourage competitive pricing and co-ordination between the alternative modes of transport. The Committee has recently submitted its interim report.

(c) to (d) In 2009, the Rail India Techno-Economic Service Ltd. (RITES) had finalised a study, viz. 'Total Transport System Study' at the instance of Planning Commission. The objectives of the study were:

1. To generate an authentic data based on traffic flows and resource costs, covering the major modes of mechanical transport, viz. Railways, Highways, Airways and Coastal Shipping;

2. To firm up the present modal share in transport and estimate the 'Transport Demand Forecast' for horizon years;

3. To provide inputs for identification of a desired modal split with a view to assist the planners in the future investment allocations in the transport sector.